

# Park Ranger Programs on North Rim

Discover Grand Canyon with daily, free programs given by park rangers and volunteers; no reservations needed. Additional programs such as talks about local history or culture, nature, geology, photography, an evening stroll, or telescope viewing may be available; check at the visitor center for special programs. Outdoor programs may be cancelled in inclement weather or when lightning danger is present. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all programs.

Time	Program	Description	Location	Dates	Duration
8:30 am	Nature Walk	Learn about the natural processes that sustain ponderosa pine and aspen forests. Start your morning with a relaxed 1.5-mile (2.4 km) walk with some elevation gain and loss.	North Rim Visitor Center	June 1 to October 15	60 minutes
10:30 am (Offered as staffing allows.)	Flashback—A Glimpse of History	Step back in time as a ranger introduces you to a remnant of North Rim history. Wheelchair accessible.	Grand Canyon Lodge Sun Room	Check at Visitor Center	15–20 minutes
1 pm	Way Cool Canyon	Hone your senses and open your eyes to the North Rim environment through activities, games, and stories. Check out a Discovery Pack after the program so the whole family can explore on their own. Family-friendly program. Wheelchair accessible.	North Rim Campground Amphitheater	June 8 to August 18	45 minutes
1:30 pm (Offered as staffing allows.)	Into the Past	How did people at Grand Canyon survive hundreds and even thousands of years ago? Discover the powerful ties between people and place. Ask a ranger about a nearby excavated ancestral Puebloan site. Allow 45 minutes to drive from North Rim Visitor Center. Wheelchair accessible.	Walhalla Overlook parking lot	Check at Visitor Center	30–40 minutes
3 pm	What’s Rockin’? Grand Canyon Geology	Why is Grand Canyon here and not in your backyard? Enjoy a ranger talk and then test your new skills with a short, optional stroll to Bright Angel Point. Program is wheelchair accessible but Bright Angel Point is not easily accessed by wheelchairs.	Grand Canyon Lodge back porch fireplace	May 15 to October 15	30–40 minutes
4:30 pm	Condor Talk	What has a 9-foot (2.7 m) wingspan and a face only a mother could love? The California condor. Come discover their life and death story and the science that saved this incredible bird. Family-friendly program. Wheelchair accessible.	Grand Canyon Lodge back porch fireplace	May 15 to October 15	30–40 minutes
7 pm	Campfire Program	Learn about a fascinating aspect of the Grand Canyon story. Topics are posted in the campground, lodge, and visitor center. Family-friendly program. Wheelchair accessible.	North Rim Campground Amphitheater	May 24 to September 21	35–45 minutes
8 pm	Evening Program	A variety of programs explore the scenic, scientific, and cultural aspects of this special landscape. Nightly topics are posted in the lodge, visitor center, and campground. Bring your questions and arrive 15 minutes early for an “Ask the Ranger” discussion.	Grand Canyon Lodge Auditorium	May 15 to October 15	35–45 minutes

# Inner Canyon Park Ranger Programs

Going to Phantom Ranch or Indian Garden? Join a park ranger to discover the many wonders of the inner canyon. Programs vary and cover a wide range of natural and cultural history topics. *These programs are offered in Grand Canyon’s backcountry and are only accessible by a long, strenuous hike or mule ride.*

**Phantom Ranch**  
4 pm and 7:30 pm  
Daily  
Check bulletin board for program locations and topics. Phantom Ranch Junior Ranger activity booklet available. Accessible only by hiking 14 miles (22.5 km) from North Rim via the North Kaibab Trail.

**Indian Garden**  
Times may vary  
Friday to Monday  
Check the bulletin board for program topics, locations, and times. Wilderness Explorer Junior Ranger booklet available. Accessible only by hiking 18.7 miles (30 km) from North Rim via the North Kaibab and Bright Angel trails.



Volunteer George Varga can often be seen on the Grand Canyon Lodge veranda sharing his knowledge of and passion for Grand Canyon with park visitors. Be sure to look for him at night when he is showing visitors night sky treasures with his telescope.